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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Prior to calculating the national fee, and prior to examination in the National Phase of the above-identified International application, please amend as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 6, line 1, delete one of Claims 1 to 5" and insert -- claim 1--;

Claim 7, line 1, delete "one of Claims 1 to 6" and insert -- claim 1--;

Claim 8, line 1, delete "one of Claims 1 to 7" and insert -- claim 1--;

Claim 9, line 1, delete "one of Claims 1 to 8" and insert -- claim 1--;

Claim 10, line 1, delete "one of Claims 1 to 9" and insert --claim 1--;

Claim 12, line 1, delete "one of Claims 1 to 11" and insert -- claim 1--;

Claim 13, line 1, delete "one of Claims 1 to 12" and insert --claim 1--;

Claim 14, line 1, delete "one of Claims 1 to 13" and insert -- claim 1--;

Claim 15, line 1, delete "one of Claims 1 to 14" and insert -- claim 1--;

Claim 16, line 1, delete "one of Claims 1 to 15" and insert -- claim 1--;

Claim 18, line 1, delete "one of Claims 1 to 17" and insert --claim 1--;

Claim 19, line 1, delete "one of Claims 1 to 18" and insert -- claim 1--;

Claim 20, line 1, delete "one of Claims 1 to 19" and insert -- claim 1--.

REMARKS

The purpose of this Preliminary Amendment is to eliminate multiple dependent claims in order to avoid the additional fee. Applicants reserve the right to reintroduce claims to canceled combined subject matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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